

Duli language

Duli (Gewe, Gueve, Gey) is an extinct Adamawa language of northern Cameroon.

Blench (2004) links Duli to the extinct **Gey** (Gewe) language; *Glottolog* states that Gey is undemonstrated as a distinct language.^[3] Duli and Gewe (Gey) were closely related language varieties, and were probably dialects of the same language according to Kleinwillinghöfer (2015). They were spoken around the confluence of the Benue and Mayo-Kebbi Rivers, and are documented by a word list in Strümpell (1922/23).^[4]

Although Boyd (1989:184)^[5] had classified Duli as one of the Duru languages, Kleinwillinghöfer finds no evidence of it being a Duru language and treats it as a separate group within the Adamawa–Gur continuum.^[6]

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Duli	
<i>Duli-Gewe</i>	
Region	northern Cameroon
Extinct	(date missing) ^[1]
Language family	Niger–Congo - Atlantic–Congo - Savannas (unclassified) Duli
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	duz
Glottolog	duli1241 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/duli1241) ^[2]

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